

Councilman Young declares the week of January 25, 2010 as San Diego Black Film Festival Week in the City of San Diego. Councilmember Sherri Lightner joined in presenting the resolution to Al Gore, volunteer for the Festival.

COUNCIL ACTIONS

On Tuesday, January 26, 2010, the San Diego City Council voted unanimously to allocate approximately \$1.1 million to repave several streets in the 4th District community of Oak Park affected by the installation of new water pipes in the community. During the construction of the new 42-inch water pipe, it was determined that the pavement was severely deteriorated and required additional paving work and repairs.

The San Diego Fire and Rescue Department will implement a \$11.5 million budget saving plan.

Beginning February 6, 2010, the Department will subject up to eight fire engines per day to "rolling brown -outs." The firefighters displaced from these browned-out fire engines will be used to work in place of other firefighters who are absent from duty due to vacation, sick leave, injury, training or other department needs. This pool of available replacements will eliminate the need to hire firefighters back on overtime to fill these vacancies. This will result in approximately \$11.5 million in budgetary savings from a reduction of overtime.



No community fire station will be closed as a result of this brown-out plan. Fire stations impacted by this plan include:

Station 1 – Downtown

Station 4 – Downtown

Station 10 – College

Station 11 – Golden Hill

Station 12 – Lincoln Park

Station 14 – North Park

Station 20 – Midway

Station 21 – Pacific Beach

Station 28 – Kearny Mesa

Station 29 – San Ysidro

Station 35 – University City

Station 40 – Rancho Penasquitos

Station 44 – Mira Mesa

This plan will be reviewed daily and adjustments made to ensure operational efficiency. In addition, the Fire Chief has authority to suspend the brown-out plan or re-staff any browned-out engines if current or anticipated emergency conditions warrant.

This plan is being done in Fire departments throughout California including Los Angeles, Sacramento, Gilroy, Lodi, and Santa Rosa.

San Diego Black Film Festival Week: The Council unanimously voted to declare the week of January 25, 2010 as San Diego Black Film Festival Week in the City of San Diego. The third largest festival of its kind in the Nation, the Festival will be held January 28th thru 31st in downtown San Diego. Over 100 films will be screened with the spotlight on African American and African American diaspora. The Festival will be highlighted with appearances by Danny Glover and Spike Lee, the 2010 Award of Merit recipients. Enjoy movie screenings, panel discussions, the *Shaft Superfly Party* and more. For event and ticket information, call (619) 685-7215 or visit www.sdbff.com.

YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW

Be Counted and Help Count: The U.S. Census will begin contacting households in March as they start the count of everyone living in the United States. Households should complete and mail back their form upon receipt.



Every year, the federal government distributes more than \$400 billion to state, local and tribal governments based on census data. The U.S. Constitution requires a national census once every 10 years for the purpose of reapportioning the U.S. House of Representatives. The federal government uses census data to help determine funding for state, local and tribal governments.

The San Diego office of the 2010 Census is looking to fill some 1,300 temporary positions in the next few months to help count the residents of San Diego County. They are especially looking for bilingual applicants for jobs that range from office administrators and recruiters to workers who actually go house to house.

The job can last from a few weeks up to three months, and priority will be given to U.S. citizens, although legal residents are eligible, as well. Wages vary from \$11.75 to \$18.50 per hour.

Representatives of the 2010 Census invite members of the community to sign up for the entrance exam and submit an application. The exam is given at locales across the county at different times. There is more information available, in English and Spanish, at (866) 861-2010 or online at census.gov.

<u>Interested in working in construction?</u> Youth Build is offering training, assistance with obtaining your high school diploma or GED and paid job training. Eligible participants must be 18 to 24 years of age, not have their high school diploma or GED yet, and be a legal resident. For more information call Mr. Clayton with the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council at (619) 266-6247.

San Ysidro Health Center's Healthy Steps is hosting a series of parent workshops thru March 24, 2010, 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Lincoln High School in the Parent Center, Room 601. The interactive sessions will provide information along with effective discipline and communication skills for parents to develop and promote healthy family lifestyles. Topics include communication, stages of development through adolescence, defining discipline and child abuse, and ceremony and certificates. For a complete list of dates, workshop topics and to register, please call (619) 662-4119.

The People's Produce Project will host its regular quarterly community forum on Wednesday, January 27, 2010, 5:30 p.m. at the offices of Project New Village (5106 Federal Blvd., Ste. 103). Find out what the Project is doing to bring community gardens, edible landscapes, small scale farms and farmer's markets to southeastern San Diego. For more information contact N. Diane Moss at (619) 262-2022 or email ndm@projectnewvillage.org.



The Black American Political Association of California (BAPAC), San Diego Chapter will host their 2nd Annual Professionals in the Community Breakfast on Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at the Jackie Robinson Family YMCA (151 YMCA Way.) The event will give recognition to individuals who consistently make a significant difference in the communities in which they live and work. For more information, contact Kenya L. Taylor at (619) 507-0075.

Spring Theology Courses begin February 1, 2010 at the San Diego School of Theology, 6020 Akins Avenue, San Diego, CA 92114. To register contact Eleanor White at (619) 264-8641.

<u>Lincoln High School Parents: Parent Meetings at 6:00 p.m. on February 2nd, March 2nd, April 6th May 4th and June 1st at Lincoln High School, Parent Center – Room 601 with Executive Principal Mel Collins on current school and educational issues. Meetings begin with a 20-minute Q&A with Principal Collins.</u>

The Community Actor's Theatre (CAT) will host A Night of Broadway in Song, February 5th thru March 7th, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. and Sundays at 3:00 p.m. Enjoy the many colorful contributions by African-Americans to the Broadway musical. For more information, call (619) 264-3391.

The Fourth District Senior Resource Center will host a celebration of Black

History Month honoring the legacy of the late Deputy Mayor George L. Stevens on

Friday, February 5, 2010 beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Joe and Vi Jacobs Center (404

Euclid Ave.) For more information, contact Myrtle Cole at (619) 263-7254 or email mcole@udwa.org.

<u>Sixth Annual Multi-Cultural Celebration of Life Awards Dinner hosted by The Palavra Tree will be held on Saturday, February 6, 2010</u> beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Joe and Vi Jacobs Center (404 Euclid Ave.) For more information call (619) 263-7768.

The Fair Housing Council of San Diego (FHCSD) and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Choir San Diego will present Black Roots, a UNITYFest 2010 event on Thursday, February 11, 2010 from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. at Golden Hall (202 C St.) For more information email cherryav2@aol.com.

Join PAZZAZ as they take a road trip to Hollywood to watch the Dr. Phil Show live on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. For more information and to reserve a seat, contact Lettice Johnson at LJ@pazzaz.org, call (619) 264-6870 or visit www.pazzaz.org



The United African American Ministerial Action Council (UAAMAC) will host the Summit II: Building the Beloved Community, Let's Do It! from February 19-20, 2010. For additional information e-mail jkidd@uaamac.com or call (619) 264-1213.

2010 San Diego Martin Luther King, Jr. Foundation Scholarship Applications are now available. The Foundation will award three scholarships this year: Two for \$7,500 in honor of Rev. George Smith and the late businessman Tom Carter, and one for \$5,000. The scholarships can be used at any four-year, fully accredited college or university of the recipient's choice. The deadline for applying is March 5, 2010. The application can be downloaded from: www.carterreese.com; logon and click on the "community" section.

The Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) Community Safety Initiative along with MetLife Foundation is now accepting applications for the 2010 MetLife Foundation Community-Police Partnership Awards. The awards recognize community safety improvements in neighborhoods resulting from innovative partnerships between law enforcement and community groups. Awards range from \$15,000 to \$25,000. For more information or to apply, please contact Jana Zawadski at (619) 528-9058 or jzawadzki@lisc.org. Preliminary applications are due Friday, February 26, 2010.

The Urban League of San Diego County is offering complimentary Foreclosure Intervention Services, First Time Home Buyer Education and Financial Literacy Classes. For more information, call Henry Miles at (619) 266-6251 or henry.miles@sdul.org.

Get on board with Compass Card! Your transit pass is now on the new Compass Card, the latest in smart card technology for transit. There is a new location in District Four to purchase your Compass Card:

Business Matters
336 Euclid Avenue, Suite 503

Business Matters is located in the Food 4 Less Shopping Center next to Cold Stone Creamery. They are open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Community Clean-ups are continuing to be held throughout the 4th District.

I commend, thank, and congratulate the many community volunteers, the exceptional staff of the Environmental Services Department, non-profit organizations and EDCO Waste & Recycling Services that assist in these efforts. Keeping our communities clean and free of debris is an ongoing effort we all must continue to be involved in. Special community cleanup event areas are selected based upon citizen requests, pledges of community involvement and previous citizen participation levels. Please feel free to call Solid Waste Code Enforcement Officer Alejandro Alvarado at (858) 627-3317 if you would like to request a clean-up in your area and/or if you have questions.



- ⇒ A Mini-Community Cleanup and Recycling Event in the northwest area of Mt. View will be held on Tuesday, February 2, 2010.
- ⇒ A Mini-Community Cleanup and Recycling Event in a section of the Valencia Park community will be held on Wednesday, February 24, 2010.

FOR EXACT BLOCK NUMBERS AND STREETS THAT ARE PART OF THE CLEANUPS,
PLEASE CALL
OFFICER GAVIN BROATCH AT (858) 573-1260.

The City's Environmental Services Department will pick up the following items: **RECYCLABLES**: appliances, electronics (e.g. tv's, computers monitors, vcr's, cpu's), lawnmowers (free of oil and gas), metals, wood & yard trimmings (bundled & tied, not to exceed 50 lbs., nor over 6' long). **NON-RECYCLABLES:** carpeting, junk furniture, mattresses, palm fronds (bundled & tied, not to exceed 50 lbs., nor over 6' long).

They will **NOT ACCEPT**: all lightbulbs/tubes; dirt, construction or demolition rubble; hazardous wastes (paint, motor oil, batteries); propane tanks/gas cylinders; tires.

Separate waste and metals and place at your point of regular trash collection (*do not use your regular automated refuse container*). Due to time constraints, city crews will not be able to return to collect items place out after 8:00 a.m.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

An opportunity for you to volunteer your services exists with the many City of San Diego Boards and Commissions. Please visit the City's web site at www.sandiego.gov and view the many boards and commissions available for you to possibly serve on. You will find that several members' terms are expiring, who is responsible for nominating and appointing members, and what the terms and requirements for service are. Please call Benelia Santos-Hunter at 236-6644 if you are interested in serving as a 4th District representative on a particular Board and/or Commission. Councilman Young is seeking qualified individuals to nominate for service on the following Boards and/or Commissions.



COMMUNITY MEETINGS:

Meeting Date	Community Meeting (District 4 Staff)	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
Thursday,	Alta Vista Community Council	6:30	Nye Elementary
January 28	(Liezl Mangonon)	p.m.	981 S. Valencia Parkway
Thursday, Janu-	Broadway Heights Community Council	7:00	TBD
ary 28	(Jimmie Slack)	p.m.	
Thursday, Janu-	Skyline Hills Recreation Council	6:00	Skyline Recreation Center
ary 28	(Roosevelt Williams III)	p.m.	8285 Skyline Dr.
Thursday, Janu-	Southeastern Planning Committee	7:00	Neighborhood House Association
ary 28	(Bruce Williams)	p.m.	851 S. 35 th St.
Monday, Feb-	City Heights Area Planning Committee	6:30	San Diego Workforce Partnership
ruary 1	(Bruce Williams)	p.m.	3910 University Ave.
Monday, Feb-	Greater Skyline Hills Town Council	6:00	Skyline Park Rec. Center
ruary 1	(Liezl Mangonon)	p.m.	8282 Skyline Drive.
Monday,	Paradise Hills Neighborhood Watch	7:00	United Church of Christ
February 1	Council	p.m.	5810 Alleghany Street
	(Liezl Mangonon)		
Tuesday, Feb-	Jamacha Neighborhood Council	6:00	Church of Christ
ruary 2	(Liezl Mangonon)	p.m.	580 69th Street.
Thursday, Feb-	Mount Hope Community Meeting	6:30	Macedonia Baptist Church
ruary 4	(Venus Molina)	p.m.	625 Quail St.
Thursday, Feb-	Oak Park Community Council	7:00	Oak Park Elementary, Auditorium
ruary 4	(Jimmie Slack)	p.m.	2606 54th St.
Thursday, Feb-	Paradise Hills Recreation Council	6:00	Paradise Hills Recreation Center
ruary 4	(Roosevelt Williams III)	p.m.	6610 Potomac St.
Thursday, Feb-	Valencia Park Town council	6:30	Valencia Park Elementary
ruary 4	(Bruce Williams)	p.m.	5880 Skyline Dr.

SAVE THIS DATE:

The 18th Annual KUUMBAFEST 2010: *Black to Greatness* will be held March 12th thru 14th. Celebrate the development of Black history, culture and heritage. For more information email SDKUUMBAFEST@yahoo.com.

The Broadway Heights Community Council will host their Annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, March 20, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at the Mt. View Recreation Center (641 S. Boundary St.) The menu consists of pancakes, sausages, fresh fruit, orange juice and coffee. For more information, call (619) 582-8147 or (619) 993-7612.

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